

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT ANNOUNCES NEW WEBSITE

The Riverside County Superior Court has launched its redesigned website at <http://riverside.courts.ca.gov/>.

New and returning site users will find an improved layout designed to provide quick and direct access to essential court resources and services. Multiple access points for key links are available on the homepage and throughout the site allowing users to easily and intuitively find the information they are seeking.

Reflecting the court's commitment to improving public access to online information, the new virtual gateway to the courthouse is easier to navigate. Site enhancements combined with streamlined online access provide the framework for servicing the growing needs of diverse court users and include:

- Prominently featured jury and traffic information,
- Monthly calendars for free local workshops on many legal issues self-represented litigants face in the Family Law and Civil divisions,
- Comprehensive and self-populating forms packets to help self-represented litigants prepare for court workshops,
- Information about, and access to, payment options that do not require a visit to a court location,
- Detailed information about each individual court location including hours of operation, directions, parking information and Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations,
- Daily calendar information by department and location, listed with scheduled hearing times,
- Expanded document search, view and print capabilities that include civil and small claims case records,
- Convenient electronic ordering of court reporter transcripts,
- Improved sort functions for local forms, and
- Translation of site information into the Spanish language with a single click.

The enhanced website for the Riverside County Superior Court is part of a statewide project that was funded and designed with the assistance of the Administrative Office of

the Courts (AOC), the agency that supports the Judicial Council, the policy making body of the judicial branch. A working group of 10 courts, including Riverside County Superior Court, partnered with the AOC to conduct a comprehensive multi-year assessment of the effectiveness of trial court websites with the goal of developing resources that California's trial courts could apply to meeting their redesign needs.

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